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SUBJECT: SYRIAN-YUGOSLAV JOINT COMMUNIQUE

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1. SYRIAN PRESS PUBLISHED LENGTHY ACCOUNT OF JOINT
COMMUNIQUE ADOPTED DURING VISIT FONMIN MINIC TO DAMASCUS
APRIL 13-16. FOLLOWING ARE HIGHLIGHTS:

2. ECONOMIC RELATIONS. COMMUNIQUE CALLED FOR ESTABLISHING
NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS ON BASIS RECOGNITION
RIGHT OF ALL PEOPLE FREELY TO DISPOSE OF THEIR OWN NATURAL
RESOURCES, AND DENOUNCED "THREATS AND PRESSURES DIRECTED
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AGAINST DEVELOPING STATES".

3. GENEVA CONFERENCE. CALLED FOR IMPLEMENTATION SC RES 338 AND UNGA RES 3326-D29 WITHIN FRAMEWORK GENEVA CONFERENCE. IN ADDITION, "THE TWO PARTIES EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR PROPOSALS CALLING FOR ENLARGING GENEVA CONFERENCE BY INVITING REPRESENTATIVES OF NON-ALIGNED STATES TO CONTRIBUTE TO REALIZATION OF JUST AND DURABLE PEACE. THEY EMPHASIZE THAT PLO PARTICIPATION IN GENEVA CONFERENCE ON EQUAL FOOTING WITH REMAINING DELEGATIONS IS ESSENTIAL CONDITION FOR ITS SUCCESS".

4. ISRAEL. COMMUNIQUE CRITICIZED ISRAEL FOR FAILING IMPLEMENT UN DECISIONS, CONTINUING EXPANSIONIST POLICY, RUINING SETTLEMENT EFFORTS AND DESTROYING KUNEITRA. CALLED FOR ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL FROM ALL OCCUPIED TERRITORIES AND RESTORATION OF PALESTINIAN NATIONAL RIGHTS. STATED THAT CONTINUATION OF MILITARY, ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL SUPPORT FOR ISRAEL "ENCOURAGES IT TO CONTINUE ON ROAD OF AGGRESSION". CALLED ON INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AND UN TO ADOPT URGENT MEASURES INCLUDING ECONOMIC SANCTIONS STIPULATED BY UN CHARTER TO FORCE ISRAEL IMPLEMENT UN RESOLUTIONS.

5. MISCELLANEOUS. SUPPORTED SETTLEMENT OF CYPRUS QUESTION "ON BASIS UNITY, INTEGRITY OF TERRITORY AND INDEPENDENCE OF CYPRUS REPUBLIC AND ITS NON-ALIGNMENT". EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE OF EUROPEAN CONFERENCE FOR PEACE AND SECURITY. HAILED CAMBODIAN AND VIETNAMESE VICTORIES, EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR KOREAN UNITY BY PEACEFUL METHODS WITHOUT FOREIGN INTERFERENCE. EXPRESSED SATISFACTION AT LIBERATION PORTUGUESE AFRICAN TERRITORIES.

6. COMMENT: DIFFERENCE IN SUBSTANCE BETWEEN CAIRO COMMUNIQUE (REFTEL A) AND DAMASCUS CONCERNING SPECIFIC SUPPORT FOR INVITING NON-ALIGNED REPRESENTATIVES TO PARTICIPATE IN GENEVA CONFERENCE INDICATES YUGOSLAVS HAVE FOUND SYRIANS MORE RECEPTIVE TO THEIR OVERTURES THAN EGYPTIANS. APPEARS SARG WELCOMING NON-ALIGNED PARTICIPATION AT GENEVA WHILE GOE PREFERS FOCUS ON SOME FORMULA FOR EUROPEAN INVOLVEMENT. WE UNCERTAIN WHETHER LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THIS REFLECTS SERIOUS DIVERGENCE OF APPROACH BETWEEN SYRIA AND EGYPT OR JUST VARIATIONS OF SAME THEME, I.E., ENLARGEMENT NUMBER OF GENEVA CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS. MURPHY

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